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InfraTec GmbH Infrarotsensorik und Messtechnik

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InfraTec Invests in Higher Production Capacity

To meet the growing demand for sensor products, the Dresden-based company has considerably expanded its production facilities. On 4th September 2020 the opening event for InfraTec's largest investment project to date took place in a small circle.

With this inauguration ceremony, InfraTec completes an investment of more than 10 Mio. EUR in the expansion and modernisation of clean rooms for production and research as well as office space to create higher production capacities, an optimised production structure and more attractive working conditions. After the acquisition of the portfolio property, this will be the second step of the permanent settlement of the company on Gostritzer Straße at the southern location of the TechnologieZentrumDresden. Founded in 1991 by graduates of the Dresden University of Technology as a spin-off, today InfraTec employs 230 people and has a turnover of 40 million euros. InfraTec is a highly specialised Dresden high-tech company that sells two thirds of its production abroad. The Free State of Saxony has supported the investment project through the Sächsische Aufbaubank with funds from the Improvement of the Regional Economic Structure (GRW) support programme.

Increasing automation for more productivity

After completion of the extension building, the total production area now covers 1,500 square metres. The new clean room for the production of pyroelectric detectors houses a considerably enlarged, state-of-the-art machine park on 500 square metres. "In order to be able to meet the increasing demand for detectors, we have acquired additional technological equipment for thin-film technologies, wafer processes and automated assembly and contacting processes. Thus, we can double our production capacities in the medium term.", refers Dr. Matthias Heinze, managing director and head of the sensor technology division.

On completion of the modernisation, the previous clean room building will house the manual production workplaces and the laboratories of the development department. The investment allowed the area for manual production and development to be doubled. InfraTec has since been able to hire a double-digit number of additional employees and to accelerate research into the fundamentals of new sensor principles.

Innovative in a modern working environment

New office workplaces and meeting rooms were created on 500 square metres on the upper floor of the new building. "We are very proud to have created a modern working environment with improved working conditions, but also to have significantly increased the office space per employee. As a company that supplies components that are in the most urgent demand by medical equipment manufacturers worldwide during the corona pandemic, we were and are thus able to work through virtually without any corona-related restrictions.", says Dr. Matthias Krauß, managing director and head of the infrared measurement technology division.

The official inauguration ceremony for the expanded premises took place on 4th September 2020 upon completion of the new building and modernisation, at which the management of InfraTec thanked all those involved and supporters of the project for their excellent cooperation. On this occasion, with a view to the future, the locations excellent potential for the continuation of the long-standing cooperation of InfraTec with the TU Dresden and the TechnologieZentrumDresden was shown to the attendees. The invited guests - among them the Mayor of the Saxon state capital Dresden, Dirk Hilbert and the Chancellor of the Technical University of Dresden, Dr. Andreas Handschuh -

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were given an exclusive insight into the new production facilities in compliance with the regulations of the Corona Protection Ordinance.

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About InfraTec

The InfraTec infrared sensor and measuring technology company was founded in 1991 and has its headquarters in Dresden, Germany. The privately held company employs more than 200 employees and has its own design, manufacturing and distribution capabilities.

Infrared sensors, with electrically tunable filters based on MOEMS, count among the products of the infrared sensor division, next to spectrally single and multi channel infrared detectors. These detectors can be used in gas analysis, fire and flame sensor technology and spectroscopy.

With its infrared measurement business unit, InfraTec is one of the leading suppliers of commercial thermal imaging technology. In addition to the high-end camera series ImageIR® and the VarioCAM® High Definition series, InfraTec offers turnkey thermographic automation solutions.

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New extension with clean rooms for production and research as well as office space